

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-6 and 10-15 have been amended. New claims 19-24 have been added. Support for the new claims may be found throughout the specification. No new matter has been added. In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 30, 2005, Applicants elect Group A (claims 1-24). With respect to the required species election, Applicants elect the species of Example 2, Compound XVII: 3-(3,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-{4-[4-(2,4-dioxothiazolidin-5-ylmethyl)-phenoxy]-phenyl}-acrylic acid.

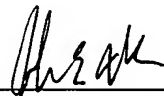
Claims 1-7, and 10-16, and 19-24 read on the elected species.

In view of the foregoing, the claims are now believed to be in form for allowance, and such action is hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, he is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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